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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

SOUTHERN DIVISION

In re

AGRIBIOTECH, INC., a Nevada
corporation,

Debtor.

Federal Tax I.D.#85-0325742

Bankruptcy

Chapter 11

ORDER DIRECTING JOINT
ADMINISTRATION OF RELATED CASES
PURSUANT TO FEDERAL RULES OF
BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE 1015(b)

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1 This matter came before the court on the Motion for Order Directing Joint Administration
 2 of Related Cases Pursuant to Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 1015(b) (the "Motion") filed
 3 by AgriBioTech, a Nevada corporation ("ABT") debtor and debtor in possession in the above
 4 captioned chapter 11 case. William P. Weintraub and Jeffrey N. Pomerantz of Pachulski, Stang,
 5 Ziehl, Young and Jones, P.C. appeared on behalf of ABT. Other appearances were made as
 6 reflected on the record.

7 The Court has reviewed the Motion, the declaration in support thereof, and the pleadings
 8 and papers on file in this case, and has determined that notice of the Motion was appropriate
 9 under the circumstances. Based on the foregoing, and for other good cause appearing, the Court
 10 finds that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best interest of ABT and its affiliated
 11 subsidiaries, bankruptcy estates, and therefore:

12 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:**

- 13 1. The Motion is approved;
- 14 2. ABT's chapter 11 case shall be jointly administered under the case of ABT, with
 15 the following related cases (collectively, the "Debtors"):

16 AGRIBIOTECH CANADA, INC., a Canadian corporation
 17 LAS VEGAS FERTILIZER CO., INC., a Nevada corporation
 18 GARDEN WEST DISTRIBUTORS, INC., an Arizona corporation
 19 GEO W. HILL & CO., INC., a Kentucky corporation

- 20 3. The Court shall hereafter maintain a single pleading docket for the filing of all
 21 pleadings with respect to the Debtors' chapter 11 estates (excluding, subject to further order of
 22 this Court, the listing of filed claims);

- 23 4. All captions referring to any or all of the above listed cases shall be captioned in
 24 the form set forth on **Exhibit "A"** hereto.

5. Debtors shall serve a Notice of Joint Administration of Related Cases Pursuant to Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure 1015(b) in the form attached as **Exhibit "B,"** concurrently with the Notice at the §341(a) examination.

Dated: January 25, 2000


United States Bankruptcy Judge

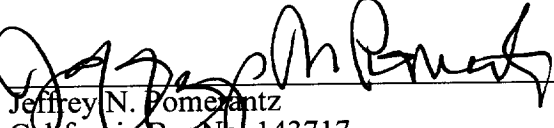
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**NOTICE OF JOINT ADMINISTRATION
 OF RELATED CASES PURSUANT TO
 FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY
 PROCEDURE 1015(b)**

1 **TO ALL CREDITORS, AND EQUITY SECURITY HOLDERS OF EACH OF THE**
 2 **DEBTORS' ESTATES, THE UNITED STATES TRUSTEE, AND OTHER PARTIES IN**
 3 **INTEREST:**

4 **PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that AgriBioTech, a Nevada corporation ("ABT"),
 5 AgriBioTech Canada, Inc., a Canada corporation ("ABT Canada"), Las Vegas Fertilizer Co., Inc.,
 6 a Nevada corporation ("LVF"), Garden West Distributors, Inc., an Arizona corporation ("GWD")
 7 and Geo. W. Hill & Co., Inc., a Kentucky corporation ("Garden West") (collectively the
 8 "Debtors"), are operating as debtors and debtors in possession under chapter 11 title 11 of the
 9 United States Code (the "Bankruptcy Code"). The Bankruptcy Court has approved joint
 10 administration of the cases in the following respects:

11 (1) Pleadings: All pleadings filed with the Clerk of the United States
 12 Bankruptcy Court (other than a Proof of Claim) shall be filed and maintained on a consolidated
 13 basis and shall have the caption set forth on Exhibit "A" (the "Joint Caption"). Each pleading
 14 shall indicate which Debtor is party to or affected by the subject filing.

15 (2) Proofs of Claim. Proofs of claim should not contain the Joint Caption and
 16 should be filed in the particular case against which estate such claim is asserted. Separate creditor
 17 registers will be maintained by the Clerk for each case.

18 (3) United States Trustee's Reporting Requirements. All reports and
 19 statements filed with the Office of the United States Trustee shall be filed separately for each
 20 Debtor and maintained for each Debtor.

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1 (4) Schedules of Assets and Liabilities. Each Debtor shall file separate
2 Schedules of Assets and Liabilities and Statement of Financial Affairs.

3 Dated: January __, 2000

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